



February 4, 2016

Rep. Andrew Fleischmann  
Sen. Gayle Slossberg  
Legislative Office Building  
300 Capitol Ave  
Hartford, CT 06106

Dear Rep. Fleischmann and Sen Slossberg:

On behalf of the members of the High School Graduation Requirements Task Force, I want to thank you for the opportunity to examine the previously established graduation requirements for the CT Public Schools Class of 2021 and to recommend to you revisions in those requirements for the purpose of aligning them closely with the goal of having every CT Public School student meet upon graduation from high school the standards that have been established by the State Board of Education.

Attached to this letter, you will find the report from the Task Force. As you can see, it recommends that two actions be taken by the Legislature this year so that CT will have graduation requirements that are appropriate for education in the Twenty First Century. The recommendations were arrived at only after thorough study and considerable discussion by members of the Task Force.

On behalf of those members, I also want to request a meeting with the full Education Committee of the Legislature so that we can respond to any questions and concerns that Committee members may have and so that we can more fully explain any aspects of our recommendations that need fuller explanation.

Once again, thank you for this opportunity.

Sincerely,

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Cc: Task Force Members/Observer